UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MARK GEROULO, individually, on behalf of the CITIGROUP 401(k) Plan, the CITIBUILDER 401 (K) PLAN FOR PUERTO RICO, and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

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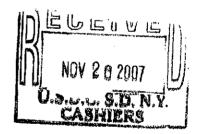
CITIGROUP, INC., CITIBANK, N.A., THE PLAN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF CITIGROUP, INC., MICHAEL E. SCHLEIN, JOHN DOES 1-10, THE CITIGROUP 401(k) PLAN INVESTMENT COMMITTEE and JOHN DOES 10-20, C. MICHAEL ARMSTRONG, ALAIN J.P. BELDA, GEORGE DAVID, KENNETH T. DERR, JOHN M. DEUTCH, ROBERTO HERNÁNDEZ, ANN DIBBLE JORDAN, ANDREW N. LIVERIS, DUDLEY C. MECUM, ANNE M. MULCAHY, RICHARD D. PARSONS, ANDRALL E. PEARSON. CHARLES PRINCE, JUDITH RODIN, ROBERT E. RUBIN, FRANKLIN A. THOMAS, SANFORD I. WEILL

Defendants.

: 104.72 Civil Action No.

CLASS ACTION

: COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF THE : EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME : SECURITY ACT OF 1974 (ERISA)



Plaintiff, Mark Geroulo ("Plaintiff"), individually, as a representative of The Citigroup 401(k) Plan (the "Citigroup Plan") and the Citibuilder 401 (k) Plan for Puerto Rico (the "Puerto Rico Plan")(collectively, the "Plans"), and on behalf of a class of similarly situated participants in the Plans (the "Participants"), by his attorneys, alleges the following for his Complaint ("Complaint"):

I. NATURE OF THE ACTION AND SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

- 1. Plaintiff, a Participant in the Citigroup Plan, brings this action against Citigroup, Inc. ("Citigroup" or the "Company") and others individually, as a representative of the Plans and on behalf of a class of all Participants in the Plans for whose individual accounts the Plans invested in the Citigroup Common Stock Fund (the "Fund") from January 1, 2004 to the present (the "Class Period"). Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of both the Plans and the Plans' Participants and beneficiaries pursuant to § 502(a)(2) and (3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act ("ERISA"), 29 U.S.C. § 1132(a)(2)and (3).
- As more fully set forth below, Defendants breached their fiduciary duties owed to 2. the Plans and the Participants, including those fiduciary duties set forth in ERISA § 404, 29 U.S.C. § 1104, and Department of Labor Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 2550. As a result of these breaches, Defendants are liable to the Plans for all losses resulting from each such breach of fiduciary duty. Plaintiff also seeks equitable relief.
- 3. Plaintiff's claims arise out Defendants' misrepresentations and failures to disclose material adverse information concerning Citigroup's massive risks and liabilities arising out of its structured and mortgage lending businesses.
- 4. These misrepresentations and failures to disclose artificially inflated the value of Fund and Company common stock shares. Yet, throughout the Class Period, the Plans continued to invest in the Fund and the Fund continued to invest in Company stock.
- 5. Plaintiff alleges that it was imprudent to permit the Plans to invest in the Fund and the Fund to invest in Company stock because the prices of shares of Fund and Company stock were artificially inflated. Plaintiff also alleges that Defendants breached their fiduciary duties by negligently failing to disclose material information necessary for Participants to make informed

decisions concerning the Plans' assets and benefits and investing in the Fund. Plaintiff further alleges that those Defendants who had a duty to appoint and monitor the fiduciaries with authority or control over Plan assets breached their duty to appoint and monitor. Finally, Defendants are liable as co-fiduciaries.

II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 6. Plaintiff's claims arise under and pursuant to ERISA § 502, 29 USC § 1132.
- 7. This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to ERISA § 502(e)(1), 29 U.S.C. § 1132(e)(1).
- 8. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to ERISA § 502(e)(2), 29 U.S.C. § 1132(e)(2), because this is the district where the Plan is administered, where the breaches took place and where one or more defendants reside or may be found.

III. THE PARTIES

Plaintiff

9. Plaintiff Mark Geroulo is a resident of the State of Pennsylvania. Plaintiff is a Participant in the Citigroup Plan within the meaning of ERISA § 3(7), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(7).

Defendants

- 10. Defendant, Citigroup, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the state of Delaware with its principal place of business in New York, New York.
- 11. Defendant, Citibank, N.A. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the state of New York with its principal place of business in New York, New York.
- 12. Defendant, The Administration Committee of Citigroup, Inc. ("Administration Committee") is, on information and belief, an association of Citigroup employees responsible for the administration of the Plan.

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- 13. Defendant, Michael E. Schlein, is the Citicorp Head of Global Affairs, Human Resources and Business Practices. Schlein signed the Plans' 2006 Forms 11-k on behalf of the Administration Committee and is, on information and belief, a member of that Committee.
- 14. Defendants, John Does 1 and 10 are the other members of the Administration Committee (collectively with Schlein, the "Administration Committee Members") whose names are not currently known. The Administration Committee Members are liable to the same extent as the Administration Committee and vice versa and hereinafter are referred to collectively as the Administration Committee.
- 15. Defendant, The Citigroup 401 (k) Plan Investment Committee ("Investment Committee") is, on information and belief, an association of Citigroup employees responsible for the selection and monitoring of Plan investment options.
- 16. Defendants, John Does 10 and 20 are members of the Committee (the "Investment Committee Members") whose names are not currently known. The Investment Committee Members are liable to the same extent as the Investment Committee and vice versa and hereinafter are referred to collectively as the Investment Committee.
- 17. Upon information and belief, the Committee Members in addition to Schlein were all Citigroup senior officers and employees. As a result of their senior positions within the Company, they knew or should have known all of the facts alleged herein.
- 18. Upon information and belief, Defendants, the Citigroup Board of Directors ("Board") has the duty to appoint and monitor the Committee Members. The Board as an entity and each of the following who were members of the Board of Directors during some or all of the Class Period are named as Defendants: C. Michael Armstrong, Alain J.P. Belda, George David, Kenneth T. Derr, John M. Deutch, Roberto Hernández, Ann Dibble Jordan, Andrew N. Liveris,

Dudley C. Mecum, Anne M. Mulcahy, Richard D. Parsons, Andrall E. Pearson, Charles Prince, Judith Rodin, Robert E. Rubin, Franklin A. Thomas, Sanford I. Weill (collectively the "Director Defendants").

V. <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANS</u>

- 19. The Plans are an employee benefit plans within the meaning of ERISA § 3(3) and 3(2)(A), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(3) and 1002(2)(A). According to a memo dated September 10, 2004 from the Company to Participants, the Citigroup Plan "is an important element of [Participant] retirement savings." According to the Citigroup Plan Summary Plan Description ("SPD"), Citigroup "encourages" Participants to save for their retirements and financial futures through the Plans.
- 20. The Plans are "defined contribution" or "individual account" plans within the meaning of ERISA § 3(34), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(34), in that the Plans provided for individual accounts for each Participant and for benefits based solely upon the amount contributed to those accounts, and any income, expenses, gains and losses, and any forfeitures of accounts of other Participants which may be allocated to such Participant's account. Consequently, retirement benefits provided by the Plans are based solely on the amounts allocated to each individual's account.
- 21. The Plans are voluntary contribution plans whereby Participants contribute a portion of their employment compensation to the Plans. ("Employee Contributions") Depending on the time period, Participants in the Citigroup Plan were permitted to contribute on a pre-tax basis from one to twenty or one to fifty percent of their eligible compensation. See, SPD and 2006 Form 11-k. Participants in the Puerto Rico Plan were permitted to contribute on a pre-tax basis from one to ten percent of their eligible compensation. See, 2006 Form 11-k.

- 22. According to the SPD, the Company made matching contributions to individual Plan accounts in the amount of 3% of eligible pay up to \$50,000 plus, depending on the time period, additional amounts up to eligible pay of \$250,000, subject to IRS limits. ("Matching Contributions")
- 23. The assets of the Citigroup Plan were held in trust pursuant to a Trust Agreement executed between Citigroup and Citibank ("Trust").
- 24. According to the SPD, Participants could cause the Plans to invest the Employee Contributions held in each of their accounts in the Trust among a number of "Investment Options" offered by the Plans.
- 25. One of the Investment Options which Participants could select for the investment of Employee Contributions was the Company Stock Fund.
- 26. Up until January1, 2007, the Plans required that Matching Contributions be invested in the Fund for at least five years or until a Participant reached the age of 55, and after either of which occurred, Matching Contributions could be invested in the same way as Employee Contributions. After January 1, 2007, all Matching Contributions could be invested in the same way as Employee Contributions.

VI. <u>DEFENDANTS WERE FIDUCIARIES</u>

- 27. The SPD states that the people who operate the Plans are fiduciaries. As set forth below, Defendants operated the Plan.
- 28. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Defendants were fiduciaries of the Plan because:
 - (a) they were so named; and/or

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- (b) they exercised authority or control respecting management or disposition of the Plan's assets; and/or
- they exercised discretionary authority or discretionary control respecting (c) management the Plans; and/or
- they had discretionary authority or discretionary responsibility in the (d) administration of the Plan.

ERISA § 3(21)(A), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(21)(A).

- In that regard, a person is a fiduciary even if a plan does not name him as such or 29. by its terms assign fiduciary duties to him where by his conduct he engages in fiduciary activities. The test for whether a person (or entity) is a fiduciary is functional and based on actual conduct. Those who have control over management of a plan or plan assets are fiduciaries regardless of the labels or duties assigned to them by the language of a plan. Moreover, in order to fulfill the express remedial purpose of ERISA, the definition of "fiduciary" is to be construed broadly.
- A fiduciary may not avoid his fiduciary responsibilities under ERISA by relying 30. solely on the language of the plan documents. While the basic structure of a plan may be specified within limits by the plan sponsor, the fiduciary may not follow the plan document if to do so leads to an imprudent result under ERISA § 404(a)(1)(d), 29 U.S.C. § 1104(a)(1)(D).
- The Administration Committee is a fiduciary because it was the "Named 31. Fiduciary" and Plan Administrator of the Plans.
- According to the June 2007 Citigroup 401 (k) Plan newsletter, the Investment 32. Committee is responsible for providing a menu of investment options that will best serve the needs of participants and beneficiaries. The Investment Committee is, therefore, a fiduciary.

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- Moreover, upon information and belief, the Committee members were appointed 34. and served on the Committees as part of and in the ordinary course of their job responsibilities without any additional compensation. Accordingly, the Company is responsible and liable for their actions.
- The Director Defendants were fiduciaries of the Plan because they had the 35. fiduciary duty to appoint and monitor the members of the Committees. They had the power and responsibility to appoint as members of the Committees persons with sufficient education, knowledge and experience to inform themselves as necessary to perform their duties as committee members, including the duty to evaluate the merits of investment options under the Plans. The Director Defendants also had an ongoing duty to ensure that the persons appointed to the Committees were fully informed and performing their duties properly with respect to the selection of investment options under the Plans and the investment of the assets of the Plans.
- Citibank is a fiduciary with respect to the Citigroup Plan because it is the trustee 36. for the Citigroup Plan and all of that Plan's assets. According to the Citigroup Plan 2006 Form 11-k, Citibank is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. For this reason, and because it is a bank and, on information and belief, participated in the lending activities alleged herein, it knew

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or should have known of the facts alleged herein and, therefore, that the Fund was an imprudent investment.

The Committees are fiduciaries because, upon information and belief, they had the 37. power and duty to direct Citibank in regard to the Trust's investment in Company Stock.

VII. FIDUCIARY DUTIES UNDER ERISA

- The SPD states that the Plan fiduciaries have a duty to operate the Plans prudently 38. and in the best interests of all Participants and beneficiaries.
- The Statutory Requirements. ERISA imposes strict fiduciary duties upon plan 39. fiduciaries. ERISA § 404(a), 29 U.S.C. § 1104(a), states, in relevant part, that:
 - [A] fiduciary shall discharge his duties with respect to a plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries and . . . for the exclusive purpose of providing benefit to participants and their beneficiaries; and defraying reasonable expenses of administering the plan; with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent man acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and with like aims; by diversifying the investments of the plan so as to minimize the risk of large losses, unless under the circumstances it is clearly prudent not to do so; and in accordance with the documents and instruments governing the plan insofar as such documents and instruments are consistent with the provisions of this title and Title IV.
- I want to the first from the first first The Duty of Loyalty. ERISA imposes on a plan fiduciary the duty of loyalty-40. that is, the duty to "discharge his duties with respect to a plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries and . . . for the exclusive purpose of . . . providing benefits to participants and their beneficiaries . . . ,"
- The duty of loyalty entails a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and to resolve them 41. promptly when they occur. A fiduciary must always administer a plan with an "eye single" to the interests of the participants and beneficiaries, regardless of the interests of the fiduciaries themselves or the plan sponsor

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- The Duty to Inform. The duties of loyalty and prudence include the duty to 43. disclose and inform. These duties entail: 1) a negative duty not to misinform; 2) an affirmative duty to inform when the fiduciary knows or should know that silence might be harmful; and 3) a duty to convey complete and accurate information material to the circumstances of participants and beneficiaries. These duties to disclose and inform recognize the disparity that may exist, and in this case did exist, between the training and knowledge of the fiduciaries, on the one hand, and the Participants, on the other.
- Pursuant to the duty to inform, fiduciaries of the Plan were required under ERISA 44. to furnish certain information to Participants. For example, ERISA § 101, 29 U.S.C. § 1021, requires that fiduciaries furnish the SPD to Participants. ERISA § 102, 29 U.S.C. § 1022, provides that the SPD must apprise Participants of their rights under the Plan. The SPD and all information contained or incorporated therein constitutes a representation in a fiduciary capacity upon which Participants were entitled to rely in determining the identity and responsibilities of fiduciaries under the Plan and in making decisions concerning their benefits and investment and management of assets allocated to their accounts:

The format of the summary plan description must not have the effect of misleading, misinforming or failing to inform participants and beneficiaries. Any description of exceptions, limitations, reductions, and other restrictions of plan

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benefits shall not be minimized, rendered obscure or otherwise made to appear unimportant. Such exceptions, limitations, reductions, or restrictions of plan benefits shall be described or summarized in a manner not less prominent than the style, captions, printing type, and prominence used to describe or summarize plan benefits. The advantages and disadvantages of the plan shall be presented without either exaggerating the benefits or minimizing the limitations. The description or summary of restrictive plan provisions need not be disclosed in the summary plan description in close conjunction with the description or summary of benefits, provided that adjacent to the benefit description the page on which the restrictions are described is noted.

29 C.F.R. § 2520.102-2(b). Here, Defendants purported to make that required disclosure concerning the Fund by incorporating by reference into the SPD all of Citigroup's filings under Sections 13(a) and (c), 14 and/or 15 of the Securities Exchange Act. Additionally, the SPD expressly directed Participants to Citigroup's website or to the Administration Committee for such information.

The Duty to Investigate and Monitor Investment Alternatives. With respect 45. to a pension plan such as the Plan, the duties of loyalty and prudence also entail a duty to conduct an independent investigation into, and continually to monitor, the merits of the investment alternatives in the Plan including employer securities, to ensure that each investment is a suitable option for the Plan.

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- The Duty to Monitor Appointed Fiduciaries. Fiduciaries who have the 46. responsibility for appointing other fiduciaries have the further duty to monitor the fiduciaries thus appointed. The duty to monitor entails both giving information to and reviewing the actions of the appointed fiduciaries. In a 401(k) plan such as the Plan the monitoring fiduciaries must maring of a hing water see y therefore ensure that the appointed fiduciaries:
- possess the needed credentials and experience, or use qualified advisors and service providers to fulfill their duties;

- (b) are knowledgeable about the operations of the Plan the goals of the Plan and the behavior of Plan's participants;
 - are provided with adequate financial resources to do their jobs; (c)
- (d) have adequate information to do their jobs of overseeing the Plan investments with respect to company stock;
 - (e) have access to outside, impartial advisors when needed;
- (f) maintain adequate records of the information on which they base their decisions and analysis with respect to Plan investment options; and
- report regularly to the monitoring fiduciaries. (g) The monitoring fiduciaries must then review, understand, and approve the conduct of the hands-on fiduciaries.
- The Duty Sometimes to Disregard Plan Documents. A fiduciary may not avoid 47. his fiduciary responsibilities by relying solely on the language of the plan documents. While the basic structure of a plan may be specified, within limits, by the plan sponsor, the fiduciary may not blindly follow the plan document if to do so leads to an imprudent result. ERISA § 404(a)(1)(D), 29 U.S.C. § 1104(a)(1)(D).
- Co-Fiduciary Liability. A fiduciary is liable not only for fiduciary breaches 48. within the sphere of his own responsibility, but also as a co-fiduciary in certain circumstances. ERISA § 405(a), 29 U.S.C. § 1105(a), states, in relevant part, that:

In addition to any liability which he may have under any other provision of this part, a fiduciary with respect to a plan shall be liable for a breach of fiduciary responsibility of another fiduciary with respect to the same plan in the following circumstances:

- if he participates knowingly in, or knowingly undertakes to conceal, an act or omission of such other fiduciary, knowing such act or omission is a breach; or
- if, by his failure to comply with section 404(a)(1) in the administration of his specific responsibilities which give rise to his status as a fiduciary, he has enabled such other fiduciary to commit a breach; or
- if he has knowledge of a breach by such other fiduciary, unless he makes reasonable efforts under the circumstances to remedy the breach.
- 49. Non-Fiduciary Liability. Under ERISA non-fiduciaries who knowingly participate in a fiduciary breach may themselves be liable for certain relief under ERISA & 502(a)(3), 29 U.S.C. § 1132(a)(3).

VIII. PARTICIPANTS ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPRUDENT PLAN INVESTMENTS

- 50. The fact that Participants selected investments from options pre-selected by Defendants is no defense in this case. Fiduciaries can shift liability for imprudent investments to Participants under ERISA § 404(c), 29 U.S.C. § 1104(c) only if, among other things, they meet five specific requirements:
 - (a) they disclose in advance the intent to shift liability to Participants;
- (b) they designate the Plan as a "404(c) plan" and adequately communicate this to Participants; Carlotte War
 - (c) they ensure that Participants are not subject to undue influence;
- (d) they provide an adequate description of the investment objectives and risk and return characteristics of each investment option; and
- (e) they disclose to Participants all material information necessary for Participants to make investment decisions that they are not precluded from disclosing under other applicable law. In this regard, fiduciaries have a choice: they can disclose all material

information to Participants, including information that they are not required to disclose under the securities laws, and shift liability to Participants, or they can comply with the more limited disclosure requirement under the securities laws but remain liable for imprudent investments. 29 C.F.R. § 2550.404c-1(b)(2)(i)(B)(i) and (ii) and (c)(2)(i) and (ii). Here, Defendants purported to make that required disclosure concerning the Fund by incorporating by reference into the SPD all of Citigroup's filings under Sections 13(a) and (c), 14 and/or 15 of the Securities Exchange Act. Additionally, the SPD expressly directed Participants to Citigroup's website or to the Administration Committee for such information.

Defendants failed to shift liability to Participants for imprudent investment 51. decisions under section 404(c) because they failed to comply with the relevant regulations.

IX. SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS

- Citigroup is an industry leader in making loans to borrowers with poor credit or 52. secured by properties that do not provide adequate collateral for the amount of credit extended. These mortgages are known as "subprime" loans or mortgages.
- Citigroup claims millions of residential mortgage customers which it serves 53. through branches in 48 states and the internet to whom it sold subprime mortgages.
- Citigroup's subprime loans were underwritten based on exceptionally weak 54. borrower credit and inordinately high loan to value ratios.
- Citigroup securitized its subprime loans, which it sold in the secondary securities 55. market in the form of various commercial instruments, but principally as bonds and as collateralized debt obligations ("CDOs").

- CDOs are structured credit products which divide the interest earned, the right to 56. and priority of repayment and the credit risk among different tranches. Senior tranches receive a lower interest rate because they have a prior right of repayment and, therefore, are lower risk.
- Rating agencies rate the different tranches to apprise investors of the relative risk 57. of the different tranches.
- 58. Citigroup and others helped create a secondary market for CDO's and other subprime mortgage backed securities through "Special Investment Vehicles" ("SIVs").
- 59. SIVs issue short term commercial paper and use the proceeds thereof to buy long term subprime mortgage backed securities.
- 60. SIVs are off balance sheet entities managed by Citigroup in exchange for lucrative fees.
- Citigroup does not report SIV liabilities on its balance sheet because it does not 61. disclose that it is the ultimate guarantor of the commercial paper issued by its SIVs.
- 62. The quality of Citicorp's subprime mortgage business was far worse that Citigroup led the market to believe in that the value of the subprime mortgages Citigroup held either directly or through its interest in SIV's was far lower than represented due to a high risk of default due to low collateral valuations or weak borrower credit.
- Citigroup did not disclose the risks of its subprime lending business 63. or its use of SIVs to invest in securities arising out of that lending.
- On November 5, 2007, Citigroup replaced senior management stated that it would 64. write-off in excess of \$10 billion in connection with its subprime business.

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- However, even as late as September 12, 2007, Steven Freiberg, chief executive of 65. Citigroup's North American consumer operations, claimed that Citigroup's subprime mortgage business "actually looks pretty good." According to Freiberg, "Where you think there would be a fire - in our subprime portfolio -it actually looks pretty good."
- Citigroup's promises concerning its subprime mortgage business were false. 66. Citigroup has suffered massive losses and may experience substantially greater losses if it is forced to liquidate its subprime portfolio at distressed prices.

X. MISREPRESENTATIONS

- Citigroup negligently misrepresented and failed to disclose material adverse 67. information concerning its subprime lending business in SEC filings that were incorporated by Approximation of the state of the state of reference into Plan documents as further alleged above.
- For example, Citigroup's 2004 10-K stated with respect to its mortgage lending 68. business:

The Company provides a wide range of mortgage and other loan products to a diverse customer base. In addition to providing a source of liquidity and less expensive funding, securitizing these assets also reduces the Company's credit exposure to the borrowers. ... The Company's mortgage loan securitizations are primarily non-recourse, thereby effectively transferring the risk of future credit losses to the purchasers of the securities issued by the trust.

The Company packages and securitizes assets purchased in the financial markets in order to create new security offerings, including arbitrage collateralized debt obligations (CDOs) and synthetic CDOs for institutional clients and retail customers, that match the clients' investment needs and preferences. Typically these instruments diversify investors' risk to a pool of assets as compared with investments in an individual asset. The VIEs, which are issuers of CDO securities, are generally organized as limited liability corporations. The Company typically receives fees for structuring and/or distributing the securities sold to investors. ...The Company is not the primary beneficiary of these VIEs under FIN 46-R due to its limited continuing involvement and, as a result, we do not consolidate their assets and liabilities in our financial statements.

In its 2005 Form 10-K, Citigroup made similar representations concerning its 69. mortgage loan business:

In addition to securitizations of mortgage loans originated by the Company, the Company also securitizes purchased mortgage loans, creating collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs) and other mortgage-backed securities (MBSs) and distributes them to investors. In 2005 and 2004, respectively, the Company organized 36 and 29 mortgage securitizations with assets of \$25 billion and \$24 billion. For 2005 and 2004, the Company's revenues for these activities were \$483 million and \$464 million, and estimated expenses before taxes were \$116 million and \$78 million. The Company packages and securitizes assets purchased in the financial markets in order to create new security offerings, including arbitrage collateralized debt obligations (CDOs) and synthetic CDOs for institutional clients and retail customers, which match the clients' investment needs and preferences. Typically these instruments diversify investors' risk to a pool of assets as compared with investments in an individual asset. The VIEs, which are issuers of CDO securities, are generally organized as limited liability corporations. The Company typically receives fees for structuring and/or distributing the securities sold to investors. The Company is not the primary beneficiary of these VIEs under FIN 46-R due to its limited continuing involvement and, as a result, we do not consolidate their assets and liabilities in our financial statements.

70. Citigroup's 2006 10-k similarly stated that:

The Company provides a wide range of mortgage and other loan products to its customers. In addition to providing a source of liquidity and less expensive funding, securitizing these assets also reduces the Company's credit exposure to the borrowers. The Company's mortgage loan securitizations are primarily nonrecourse, thereby effectively transferring the risk of future credit losses to the purchasers of the securities issued by the trust.

As with all other lending activity, this exposes Citigroup to several risks, including credit, liquidity and interest rate risks. To manage credit and liquidity risk, Citigroup sells most of the mortgage loans it originates, but retains the servicing.

- 71. The representations were false or misleading in that Citigroup retained a substantail amount of credit risk concerning these subprive mortgages.
- Concerning its SIV business, which Citigroup classified as Special Purpose 72. Entities ("SPE"), in its 2004 10-k, the Company stated as follows:

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Citigroup and its subsidiaries are involved with several types of off-balance sheet arrangements, including special purpose entities (SPEs), lines and letters of credit, and loan commitments. The principal uses of SPEs are to obtain sources of liquidity by securitizing certain of Citigroup's financial assets, to assist our clients in securitizing their financial assets, and to create other investment products for our clients.

The Company packages and securitizes assets purchased in the financial markets in order to create new security offerings, including hedge funds, mutual funds, unit investment trusts, and other investment funds, for institutional and private bank clients as well as retail customers, that match the clients' investment needs and preferences. The SPEs may be credit-enhanced by excess assets in the investment pool or by third-party insurers assuming the risks of the underlying assets, thus reducing the credit risk assumed by the investors and diversifying investors' risk to a pool of assets as compared with investments in individual assets. The Company typically manages the SPEs for market-rate fees. In addition, the Company may be one of several liquidity providers to the SPEs and may place the securities with investors.

- Under applicable accounting rules, because of Citigroup's financial and 73. other commitments to its affiliated SIVs, Citigroup was required to disclose the nature, purpose, size, and activities of the SIVs and disclose the carrying amount and classification of the consolidated assets that were collateral for the SIVs' obligations.
- Citigroup failed to consolidate the financial results or liabilities of its affiliated 74. SIVs as required by GAAP. Moreover, Citigroup has failed to disclose in the management discussion and analysis section of its financial statements the risks attendant to Citigroup in the liabilities of its affiliated SIVs.
 - Concerning the valuation of its subprime mortgage assets, the 2005 10-k stated: 75.

The Company values its securitized retained interests at fair value using either financial models, quoted market prices, or sales of similar assets. Where quoted market prices are not available, the Company estimates the fair value of these retained interests by determining the present value of expected future cash flows using modeling techniques that incorporate management's best estimates of key assumptions, including prepayment speeds, credit losses, and discount rates.

76. Similarly, in its 2006 10-k Citigroup stated:

Substantially all of these assets and liabilities are reflected at fair value on the Company's balance sheet. Fair values are considered verified if they meet one of the following criteria:

Externally substantiated via comparison to quoted market prices or third party broker quotations:

By using models that me validated by qualified personnel independent of the area that created the model and inputs that are verified by comparison to third-party broker quotations or other third-party sources where available; or

By using alternative procedures such as comparison to comparable securities and/or subsequent liquidation prices.

- 77. Citigroup's financial models used to determine the "fair value" of its mortgage backed securities were inaccurate and subjective. Moreover, rather than verify the values with "third party broker quotations or other third party sources," Citigroup worked with rating agencies to manipulate the debt ratings of its assets which were then used by Citigroup to value these assets.
- 78. Citigroup misrepresented the risks of default and decline in the value of its subprime loan portfolio and instead led Participants to believe that the Company's subprime loss exposure was minimal by stating that from 2004 to 2005 "Non-prime [subprime] mortgage and progression is small actions. originations declined 20%, reflecting the Company's decision to avoid offering teaser rate and interest-only mortgages to lower FICO score customers."
- 79. On February 23, 2007, Citigroup filed its From 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006, with the SEC in which the Company stated in part:

We enter 2007 with good business momentum, as we expect to see our investment initiatives generate increasing revenues, and are well positioned to gain from our balanced approach to growth and competitive advantages.

We expect to continue to achieve growth in loans, deposits and other customer activity resulting from our increased distribution points, expanded product offerings, and the impact from recent targeted acquisitions.

In 2006, our international businesses contributed 43% of our income from continuing operations. We expect to continue to re-weight our revenue mix towards International Consumer, CIB and Global Wealth Management.

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Concerning its outlook for 2007, the Company stated in part: We enter 2007 with good business momentum, as we expect to see our investment initiatives generate increasing revenues, and are well positioned to gain from our balanced approach to growth and competitive advantages.

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Disciplined capital allocation will remain fundamental to our strategic process and we will have a sharp focus on expense management.

Although there may be volatility in our results in any given year, over the long term our revenues are targeted to grow organically at a mid to high single-digit rate, with strong expense and credit management driving earnings and earnings per share growth at a faster level. We will seek to augment this growth rate over rune through targeted acquisitions.

Credit is broadly stable as 2007 begins; however, we are budgeting for a moderate deterioration of credit in 2007. In addition, the tax benefits we realized in 2006 will not be repeated in 2007, and we anticipate the effective tax rate to return to a more normalized rate of 30% to 31%, not the 27.3% recorded in 2006.

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In its 2006 10-K, Citigroup failed to disclose the true risks and problems it was 80.

likely to experience as a result of its subprime mortgage business.

XI. CAUSES OF ACTION

- A. Count I: Failure to Prudently and Loyally Manage the Plan and
 Assets of the Plan
- 81. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the paragraphs above.
- 82. This Count alleges fiduciary breach against all Defendants other than the Director Defendants (the "Prudence Defendants").
- 83. As alleged above, during the Class Period the Prudence Defendants were named fiduciaries pursuant to ERISA § 402(a)(1), 29 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(1), or de facto fiduciaries within the meaning of ERISA § 3(21)(A), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(21)(A), or both. Thus, they were bound by the duties of loyalty, exclusive purpose, and prudence.
- 84. As alleged above, the scope of the fiduciary duties and responsibilities of the Prudence Defendants included managing the assets of the Plans for the sole and exclusive benefit of Plan Participants and beneficiaries and with the care, skill, diligence, and prudence required by ERISA. The Prudence Defendants were directly responsible for, among other things, selecting prudent investment options, eliminating imprudent options, determining how to invest employer contributions to the Plans and directing the trustee regarding the same, evaluating the merits of the Plans' investments on an ongoing basis, and taking all necessary steps to ensure that the Plans' assets were invested prudently.
- 85. Yet, contrary to their duties and obligations under the Plan documents and ERISA, the Prudence Defendants failed to loyally and prudently manage the assets of the Plans. Specifically, during the Class Period, these Defendants knew or should have known that the Fund was no longer a suitable and appropriate investment for the Plans, but was, instead, an imprudent investment in light of the Company's material undisclosed fundamental weaknesses.

- 86. Nonetheless, during the Class Period, these Defendants continued to permit the Plans to offer the Fund as an investment option for Employee and Matching Contributions and continued to permit the Plans to invest those contributions in the Fund and permit the Fund to invest in Company stock. They did so despite the fact that they knew or should have known that the prices of Fund and Company stock shares was artificially inflated.
- The Prudence Defendants were obliged to prudently and loyally manage all of the 87. Plans' assets. However, their duties of prudence and loyalty were especially significant with respect to Company stock because: (a) company stock is a particularly risky and volatile investment, even in the absence of company misconduct; and (b) Participants tend to underestimate the likely risk and overestimate the likely return of investment in company stock.
- 88. The Prudence Defendants had a duty to follow a regular, appropriate systematic procedure to evaluate the prudence of investing in the Fund, but had no such procedure. Moreover, they failed to conduct an appropriate investigation of the merits of continued investment in the Fund. Such an investigation would have revealed to a reasonably prudent fiduciary the imprudence of continuing to make and maintain investment in the Fund under these circumstances.
- The Prudence Defendants' breached their fiduciary duty respecting the Plans' 89. with and and the manner of the life of the investment in Company stock described above, under the circumstances alleged herein, in that a prudent fiduciary acting under similar circumstances would have made different investment decisions.
- The Prudence Defendants were obligated to discharge their duties with respect to 90. the Plans with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent man acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the

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- According to United States Department of Labor ("DOL") regulations and case 91. law interpreting this statutory provision, a fiduciary's investment or investment course of action is prudent if: (a) he has given appropriate consideration to those facts and circumstances that, given the scope of such fiduciary's investment duties, the fiduciary knows or should know are relevant to the particular investment or investment course of action involved, including the role the investment or investment course of action plays in that portion of the plan's investment portfolio with respect to which the fiduciary has investment duties; and (b) he has acted accordingly.
- According to DOL regulations, "appropriate consideration" in this context 92. includes, but is not necessarily limited to:
- A determination by the fiduciary that the particular investment or (a) investment course of action is reasonably designed, as part of the portfolio (or, where applicable, that portion of the plan portfolio with respect to which the fiduciary has investment duties), to further the purposes of the plan, taking into consideration the risk of loss and the opportunity for gain (or other return) associated with the investment or investment course of action; and
- Consideration of the following factors as they relate to such portion of the (b) portfolio:
 - The composition of the portfolio with regard to diversification; (i)
- The liquidity and current return of the portfolio relative to the (ii) anticipated cash flow requirements of the plan; and

- (iii) The projected return of the portfolio relative to the funding objectives of the plan.
- 93. Given the conduct of the Company as described above, the Prudence Defendants could not possibly have acted prudently when they continued to invest the Plans' assets in Company stock because, among other reasons:
- 94. The Prudence Defendants knew of and/or failed to investigate the failures of the Company as alleged above.
- 95. The risk associated with the investment in Company stock during the Class Period was by far above and beyond the normal, acceptable risk associated with investment in company stock.
- 96. This abnormal investment risk could not have been known by the Plans' Participants, and the Prudence Defendants knew that it was unknown to them, as it was to the market generally, because the fiduciaries never disclosed it.
- 97. Knowing of this extraordinary risk, and knowing the Participants did not know it, the Prudence Defendants had a duty to avoid permitting the Plans or any Participant from investing the Plans' assets in the Fund or Company stock.
- Further, knowing that the Plans were not adequately diversified, but were heavily 98. invested in Company stock, the Prudence Defendants had a heightened responsibility to divest the Plans of Company stock if it became or remained imprudent.
- The Prudence Defendants breached their fiduciary duties by, inter alia, failing to 99. engage independent advisors who could make independent judgments concerning the Plans' investment in the Company; failing to notify appropriate federal agencies, including the DOL, of the facts and circumstances that made Company stock an unsuitable investment for the Plans;

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failing to take such other steps as were necessary to ensure that Participants' interests were loyally and prudently served; with respect to each of these above failures, doing so in order to avoid adversely impacting their own compensation or drawing attention to the Company's inappropriate practices; and by otherwise placing their own and the Company's improper interests above the interests of the Participants with respect to the Plans' investment in Company stock.

- 100. As a consequence of the Prudence Defendants' breaches of fiduciary duty alleged in this Count, the Plans suffered tremendous losses. If the Prudence Defendants had discharged their fiduciary duties to prudently invest the Plans' assets, the losses suffered by the Plans would have been minimized or avoided. Therefore, as a direct and proximate result of the breaches of fiduciary duty alleged herein, the Plans, and indirectly Plaintiff and the other Class members, lost millions of dollars of retirement savings.
- 101. Pursuant to ERISA §§ 409, 502(a)(2) and (a)(3), 29 U.S.C. §§ 1109, 1132(a)(2) and (a)(3), the Prudence Defendants are liable to restore the losses to the Plans caused by their breaches of fiduciary duties alleged in this Count and to provide other equitable relief as appropriate.
 - B. Count II: Failure to Provide Complete and Accurate Information to Participants and Beneficiaries
 - 102. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations above.
- 103. This Count alleges fiduciary breach against all Defendants other than Citibank and the Director Defendants (the "Communications Defendants").
- 104. As alleged above, during the Class Period the Communications Defendants were named fiduciaries pursuant to ERISA § 402(a)(1), 29 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(1), or de facto fiduciaries

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within the meaning of ERISA § 3(21)(A), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(21)(A), or both. Thus, they were bound by the duties of loyalty, exclusive purpose, and prudence.

- As alleged above, the scope of the Communications Defendants' duties included 105. disseminating Plan documents and/or Plan-related information to Participants regarding the Plans and/or assets of the Plans.
- The duty of loyalty under ERISA requires fiduciaries to speak truthfully to 106. Participants, not to mislead them regarding the Plans or the Plans' assets, and to disclose information that Participants need in order to exercise their rights and interests under the Plans. This duty to inform Participants includes an obligation to provide Participants and beneficiaries of the Plans with complete and accurate information, and to refrain from providing false information or concealing material information regarding the Plans' investment options such that Participants can make informed decisions with regard to investment options available under the Plans. This duty applies to all the Plans' investment options, including investment in Company stock.
- 107. This fiduciary duty to honestly communicate with Participants is designed not merely to inform Participants and beneficiaries of conduct, including illegal conduct, bearing on their retirement savings, but also to forestall such illegal conduct in the first instance. By failing to discharge their disclosure duties, the Communications Defendants facilitated the illegal conduct in the first instance.
- emperation in increase with morning process The Communication Defendants were obligated to provide Participants with 108. complete and accurate information concerning all of the Plans' assets. However, their duties of honest disclosure were especially significant with respect to Company stock because: a) during the Class Period, a large percentage of the Plans' assets were invested in it; b) company stock is a

particularly risky and volatile investment, even in the absence of company misconduct; and c) Participants tend to underestimate the likely risk and overestimate the likely return of investment in company stock investment.

- 109. The Communications Defendants breached their ERISA duty to inform Participants by failing to provide complete and accurate information regarding the Company and Company stock as alleged above, and, generally, by conveying through statements and omissions inaccurate information regarding the soundness of Company stock, and the prudence of investing retirement contributions in the stock.
- In particular, the Committee Defendants were responsible for communications made in the official Plan documents and materials which were disseminated directly to all participants to be used by participants in the management of the investment of their Plan accounts in the Fund, including the Plan's SPDs which incorporated by reference the Company's materially misleading and inaccurate SEC filings and reports.
- These failures were particularly devastating to the Plans and the Participants, as a 111. significant percentage of the Plans' assets were invested in Company stock during the Class Period, with acquisitions of Company stock occurring at significantly inflated prices. Thus, the stock's precipitous decline had an enormous impact on the value of Participants' retirement assets. Had such disclosures been made to Participants, or Plan fiduciaries, if any, who were not aware of facts alleged herein, Participants and fiduciaries could have taken action to protect the Plans, and the disclosure to Participants, which necessarily would have been accompanied by disclosure to the market, would have assured that any further acquisitions of Company stock by the Plans would have occurred at an appropriate price.

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- 112. As a consequence of the failure of the Communications Defendants to satisfy their duty to provide complete and accurate information under ERISA, Participants lacked sufficient information to make informed choices regarding investment of their retirement savings in Company stock, or to appreciate that under the circumstances known or that should have been known to the Communications Defendants, but not known by Participants, Company stock was an inherently unsuitable and inappropriate investment option for their Plan accounts.
- 113. The Communications Defendants' failure to provide complete and accurate information regarding Company stock was uniform and Plan-wide, and impacted all Plan Participants the same way in that none of the Participants received crucial, material information regarding the risks of Company stock as a Plan investment option and all Plan acquisitions of employer stock during the Class Period occurred at inflated prices.
- 114. As a consequence of the Communications Defendants' breaches of fiduciary duty, the Plans suffered tremendous losses. If the Communications Defendants had discharged their fiduciary duties to prudently disclose material information, the losses suffered by the Plans would have been minimized or avoided. Therefore, as a direct and proximate result of the breaches of fiduciary duty alleged herein, the Plans, and indirectly Plaintiff and the other Class members, lost millions of dollars of retirement savings.
- 115. Pursuant to ERISA §§ 409 and 502(a)(2) and (a)(3), 29 U.S.C. §§ 1109(a) and 1132(a)(2) and (a)(3), the Communications Defendants are liable to restore the losses to the Plans caused by their breaches of fiduciary duties alleged in this Count and to provide other equitable relief as appropriate.

C. Count III: Failure to Monitor Fiduciaries

116. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations above.

- This Count alleges fiduciary breach against the Director Defendants (the 117. "Monitoring Defendants").
- As alleged above, upon information and belief, during the Class Period the 118. Monitoring Defendants were named fiduciaries pursuant to ERISA § 402(a)(1), 29 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(1), or de facto fiduciaries within the meaning of ERISA § 3(21)(A), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(21)(A), or both. Thus, they were bound by the duties of loyalty, exclusive purpose, and prudence.
- As alleged above, the scope of the fiduciary responsibilities of the Director 119. Defendants included the responsibility to appoint, remove, and, thus, monitor the performance of the Committee Defendants.
- Under ERISA, a monitoring fiduciary must ensure that the monitored fiduciaries 120. are performing their fiduciary obligations, including those with respect to the investment and holding of plan assets, and must take prompt and effective action to protect the plan and participants when they are not.
- The monitoring duty further requires that appointing fiduciaries have procedures 121. in place so that on an ongoing basis they may review and evaluate whether the "hands-on" fiduciaries are doing an adequate job (for example, by requiring periodic reports on their work and the plan's performance, and by ensuring that they have a prudent process for obtaining the information and resources they need). In the absence of a sensible process for monitoring their appointees, the appointing fiduciaries would have no basis for prudently concluding that their appointees were faithfully and effectively performing their obligations to plan participants or for deciding whether to retain or remove them.

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- 122. Furthermore, a monitoring fiduciary must provide the monitored fiduciaries with complete and accurate information in their possession that they know or reasonably should know that the monitored fiduciaries must have in order to prudently manage the plans and the plan assets, or that may have an extreme impact on the plans and the fiduciaries' investment decisions regarding the plan.
- 123. The Monitoring Defendants breached their fiduciary monitoring duties by, among other things:
- failing, at least with respect to the Plans' investment in Company stock, to (a) monitor their appointees, to evaluate their performance, or to have any system in place for doing so, and standing idly by as the Plans suffered enormous losses as a result of their appointees' imprudent actions and inaction with respect to Company stock;
- failing to ensure that the monitored fiduciaries appreciated the true extent (b) of Company's inappropriate business practices, and the likely impact of such practices on the value of the Plans' investment in Company stock;
- to the extent any appointee lacked such information, failing to provide (c) complete and accurate information to all of their appointees such that they could make sufficiently informed fiduciary decisions with respect to the Plans' assets and, in particular, the Charles 11 11 11 11 11 Plans' investment in the Fund; and
- failing to remove appointees whose performance was inadequate in that (d) they continued to permit the Plans to make and maintain investments in the Fund despite the practices that rendered Company stock an imprudent investment during the Class Period.
- As a consequence of the Monitoring Defendants' breaches of fiduciary duty, the 124. Plans suffered tremendous losses. If the Monitoring Defendants had discharged their fiduciary

monitoring duties as described above, the losses suffered by the Plans would have been minimized or avoided. Therefore, as a direct and proximate result of the breaches of fiduciary duty alleged herein, the Plans and indirectly Plaintiff and the other Class members, lost millions of dollars of retirement savings.

Pursuant to ERISA §§ 409, 502(a)(2) and (a)(3), 29 U.S.C. §§ 1109, 1132(a)(2) and (a)(3), the Monitoring Defendants are liable to restore the losses to the Plans caused by their breaches of fiduciary duties alleged in this Count and to provide other equitable relief as appropriate.

Count IV: Co-Fiduciary Liability D.

Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations above. 126.

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- This Count alleges co-fiduciary liability against all Defendants (the "Co-Fiduciary 127. Defendants").
- As alleged above, during the Class Period the Co-Fiduciary Defendants were 128. named fiduciaries pursuant to ERISA § 402(a)(1), 29 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(1), or de facto fiduciaries within the meaning of ERISA § 3(21)(A), 29 U.S.C. § 1002(21)(A), or both. Thus, they were bound by the duties of loyalty, exclusive purpose, and prudence.
- As alleged above, ERISA § 405(a), 29 U.S.C. § 1105(a), imposes liability on a fiduciary, in addition to any liability which he may have under any other provision, for a breach of fiduciary responsibility of another fiduciary with respect to the same plan if he knows of a breach and fails to remedy it, knowingly participates in a breach, or enables a breach. The Co-Fiduciary Defendants breached all three provisions.
- Knowledge of a Breach and Failure to Remedy. ERISA § 405(a)(3), 29 U.S.C. § 130. 1105(a)(3), imposes co-fiduciary liability on a fiduciary for a fiduciary breach by another

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fiduciary if he has knowledge of a breach by such other fiduciary, unless he makes reasonable efforts under the circumstances to remedy the breach. Upon information and belief, each Defendant knew of the breaches by the other fiduciaries and made no efforts, much less reasonable ones, to remedy those breaches. In particular, they did not communicate their knowledge of the Company's illegal activity to the other fiduciaries.

- In particular, because the Director Defendants knew of the Company's failures and inappropriate business practices, they also knew that the Prudence Defendants were breaching their duties by continuing to invest in Company stock. Yet, they failed to undertake any effort to remedy these breaches and, instead, compounded them by downplaying the significance of the Company's failed and inappropriate business practices and obfuscating the risk that the practices posed to the Company, and, thus, to the Plans.
- Knowing Participation in a Breach. ERISA § 405(a)(1), 29 U.S.C. § 1105(a)(1), 132. imposes liability on a fiduciary for a breach of fiduciary responsibility of another fiduciary with respect to the same plan if he participates knowingly in, or knowingly undertakes to conceal, an act or omission of such other fiduciary, knowing such act or omission is a breach. The Monitoring Defendants knowingly participated in the breaches of the Prudence Defendants because, as alleged above, they had actual knowledge of the facts that rendered Company stock an imprudent retirement investment and, yet, ignoring their oversight responsibilities, permitted the Prudence Defendants to breach their duties. Moreover, as alleged above, each of the Defendants participated in the management of the Plan's improper investment in the Fund and, upon information and belief, knowingly participated in the improper management of that investment by the other Defendants. Control of the second second

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- Enabling a Breach. ERISA § 405(a)(2), 29 U.S.C. § 1105(a)(2), imposes liability on a fiduciary if, by failing to comply with ERISA § 404(a)(1), 29 U.S.C. §1104(a)(1), in the administration of his specific responsibilities which give rise to his status as a fiduciary, he has enabled another fiduciary to commit a breach.
- The Monitoring Defendants' failure to monitor the Prudence Defendants enabled 134. those Defendants to breach their duties.
- As a direct and proximate result of the breaches of fiduciary duties alleged herein, 135. the Plans, and indirectly Plaintiff and the Plans' other Participants and beneficiaries, lost millions of dollars of retirement savings.
- Pursuant to ERISA §§ 409, 502(a)(2) and (a)(3), 29 U.S.C. §§ 1109, 1132(a)(2) and (a)(3), the Co-Fiduciary Defendants are liable to restore the losses to the Plans caused by their breaches of fiduciary duties alleged in this Count and to provide other equitable relief as appropriate.

XII. CAUSATION

- The Plans suffered millions of dollars in losses of vested benefits because 137. substantial assets of the Plans were imprudently invested or allowed to be invested by Defendants in the Fund during the Class Period in breach of Defendants' fiduciary duties.
- Had the Defendants properly discharged their fiduciary and co-fiduciary duties, 138. including the monitoring and removal of fiduciaries who failed to satisfy their ERISA-mandated duties of prudence and loyalty, eliminating Company stock as an investment alternative when it became imprudent, and divesting the Plan of Company stock when maintaining such an investment became imprudent, the Plan would have avoided some or all of the losses that it suffered.

XIII. REMEDY FOR BREACHES OF FIDUCIARY DUTY

- The Defendants breached their fiduciary duties in that they knew or should have 139. known the facts as alleged above and, therefore, knew or should have known that the Plans' assets should not have been invested in the Fund during the Class Period.
- As a consequence of the Defendants' breaches, the Plans suffered a significant loss of vested benefits.
- ERISA § 502(a)(2), 29 U.S.C. § 1132(a)(2) authorizes a plan participant to bring a 141. civil action for appropriate relief under ERISA § 409, 29 U.S.C. § 1109. Section 409 requires "any person who is a fiduciary...who breaches any of the...duties imposed upon fiduciaries...to make good to such plan any losses to the plan...". Section 409 also authorizes "such other equitable or remedial relief as the court may deem appropriate...".
- Plaintiff and the Class are therefore entitled to relief from Defendants in the form 142. of:
- a monetary payment to the Plans to make good to the Plans the loss of (a) vested benefits to the Plans resulting from the breaches of fiduciary duties alleged above in an amount to be proven at trial based on the principles described above, as provided by ERISA § 409(a), 29 U.S.C. § 1109(a);
- injunctive and other appropriate equitable relief to remedy the breaches (b) alleged above, as provided by ERISA §§ 409(a), 502(a)(2) and (3), 29 U.S.C. §§ 1109(a), 1132(a)(2) and (3);
- reasonable attorney fees and expenses, as provided by ERISA § 502(g), 29 (c) U.S.C. § 1132(g), the common fund doctrine, and other applicable law;
 - taxable costs and interest on these amounts, as provided by law; and (d)

(e) such other legal or equitable relief as may be just and proper.

XIV. CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

Class Definition. Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Rules 143. 23(a), (b)(1), (b)(2), and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of Plaintiffs and the following class of persons similarly situated (the "Class"):

All persons, other than Defendants, who were participants in or beneficiaries of the Plan at any time between January 1, 2004 and the present, and whose accounts included investments in Citigroup stock.

- Class Period. The fiduciaries of the Plans knew or should have known at least by, 144. that the Company's material weaknesses were so pervasive that Company stock could no longer be offered as a prudent investment for retirement Plans.
- Numerosity. The members of the Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. While the exact number of Class members is unknown to Plaintiff at this time, and can only be ascertained through appropriate discovery, Plaintiffs believe there are, based on the Plans Form 5500 Annual Return filed with the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and dated October 16, 2006, more than 189,000 members of the Class who participated in, or were beneficiaries of, the Plans during the Class Period.
- Commonality. Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the 146. Class and predominate over any questions affecting solely individual members of the Class. Among the questions of law and fact common to the Class are:
- S. Baggaria, Agreement agreed to whether Defendants each owed a fiduciary duty to Plaintiff and members of the Class;

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- (b) whether Defendants breached their fiduciary duties to Plaintiff and members of the Class by failing to act prudently and solely in the interests of the Plans' participants and beneficiaries;
 - (c) whether Defendants violated ERISA; and
- (d) whether the Plans suffered losses and, if so, what is the proper measure of damages.
- 147. Typicality. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class because: (a) to the extent Plaintiff seeks relief on behalf of the Plans pursuant to ERISA § 502(a)(2), their claims on behalf of the Plans are not only typical of, but identical to claims under this section brought by any Class member; and (b) to the extent Plaintiff seeks relief under ERISA § 502(a)(3) on behalf of himself for equitable relief, that relief would affect all Class members equally.
- 148. Adequacy. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members of the Class and has retained counsel competent and experienced in class action, complex, and ERISA litigation. Plaintiff has no interests antagonistic to or in conflict with those of the Class.
- 149. Rule 23(b)(1)(B) Requirements. Class action status in this ERISA action is warranted under Rule 23(b)(1)(B) because prosecution of separate actions by the members of the Class would create a risk of adjudications with respect to individual members of the Class which would, as a practical matter, be dispositive of the interests of the other members not parties to the actions, or substantially impair or impede their ability to protect their interests.
- 150. Other Rule 23(b) Requirements. Class action status is also warranted under the other subsections of Rule 23(b) because: (a) prosecution of separate actions by the members of the Class would create a risk of establishing incompatible standards of conduct for Defendants;

(b) Defendants have acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the Class, thereby making appropriate final injunctive, declaratory, or other appropriate equitable relief with respect to the Class as a whole; and (c) questions of law or fact common to members of the Class predominate over any questions affecting only individual members, and a class action is superior to the other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy.

XV. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for:

- A Declaration that Defendants, and each of them, have breached their ERISA A. fiduciary duties to the participants;
- An Order compelling Defendants to make good to the Plans all losses to the Plans В. resulting from Defendants' breaches of their fiduciary duties, including loss of vested benefits to the Plans resulting from imprudent investment of the Plans' assets; to restore to the Plans all profits the Defendants made through use of the Plans' assets; and to restore to the Plans all profits which the participants would have made if Defendants had fulfilled their fiduciary obligations;
- C. Imposition of a constructive trust on any amounts by which any Defendant was unjustly enriched at the expense of the Plans as the result of breaches of fiduciary duty;
- An Order enjoining Defendants, and each of them, from any further violations of D. their ERISA fiduciary obligations;
- An Order requiring Defendants to appoint one or more independent fiduciaries to E. participate in the management of the Plan's investment in Company stock;
- Actual damages in the amount of any losses the Plans suffered, to be allocated F. among the participants' individual accounts in proportion to the accounts' losses;
 - G. An Order awarding costs pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 1132(g);
- An Order awarding attorneys' fees pursuant to the common fund doctrine, 29 H. U.S.C. § 1132(g), and other applicable law; and

I. An Order for equitable restitution and other appropriate equitable and injunctive relief against the Defendants.

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